

Meeting Minutes

FREDERICK DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL

Date: **March 16, 2021**

Time: **5:15 PM**

Location: **Virtual Zoom**

I. Call to Order: 5:17 PM

II. Meeting Protocols

A. Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Mr. Artesza Portee	Present
Parent/Guardian	Ms. Tuesday Smith	Present
Parent/Guardian	Dr. Sakia Franklin Jones	Present
Parent/Guardian	Ms. Shannon Sessions	Absent
Instructional Staff	Dr. Reginald Ponder	Present
Instructional Staff	Dr. Sheryl Neely	Present
Instructional Staff	Ms. Monique Watson	Present
Community Member	Ms. Juli Gilyard	Present
Community Member	Ms. Terrica Wright	Absent
Swing Seat	Mr. Hardy Blash	Present
Student (High Schools)	Mr. Kevon Cheeke	Absent

Quorum Established: **Yes**

B. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: Reginald Ponder, Monique Watson (seconded)

Members Approving: All approved

Members Opposing: n/a

Members Abstaining: n/a

Motion **Passes**

C. **Approval of Previous Minutes:**

Motion made by: Hardy Blash, Reginald Ponder (seconded)

Members Approving: All approved

Members Opposing: n/a

Members Abstaining: n/a

Motion **Passes**

III. Budget Feedback and Approval

Principal Portee presented the final budget proposal to the Douglass GO Team. He reminded everyone that two positions, Social Studies and World Language Instructors will be charged to the FY21 budget, as they are currently vacant. There will also be one Social Studies and one World Language instructor included in the FY 22 budget. It was clarified that the \$3,000 signing bonuses for the instructor positions will come out of the FY22 budget line item noted as Teacher Stipends/Hiring Incentives \$75,000. These were increased from \$2,000 to \$3,000 to encourage qualified individuals to apply. The FY22 budget updates include: Reading/Math Specialist position moved to the budget and the Business Manager position moved to the CARES Act funding; Master Teacher Leader job description reviewed and current interest in the positions by subject area; Residency Officer and Resource Officer job descriptions also reviewed.

CARES Act funding stipulates that funding be used to support credit recovery and learning loss until 2023. Additional CARES funding expected in September 2021 to last until FY24. This funding is approved by Dr. Sims and APS Leadership.

IV. Principal's Report

Principal Portee gave the principal's report. Attendance data was reviewed with the team, as well as the Grad Rate, the Failure Rate Action Plan, and data for Off-Track students.

V. Announcements

Principal Portee noted the following Announcements: Teacher Appreciation Week is May 3-7, 2021; APS COVID-19 1st Vaccinations will be March 24th, 26th, and 27th; The Polaris, the Principal's Monthly Newsletter will be distributed soon; Quarter IV begins March 22nd and all Intents-to-Return to school closed on March 8th; Spring Break is April 5-9, 2021, with district wide virtual learning taking place April 12-16, 2021; Douglass 2021 Commencement will be held May 25, 2021 at 12 noon at Bobby Dodd Stadium; GO Team Meeting will be May 18, 2021.

A motion to accept the FY22 budget proposal was made by Sakia Franklin Jones and seconded by Hardy Blash. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. Public Comments

No one signed up for public comment.

VII. Adjournment 6:07 pm

Motion made by: Reginald Ponder, Sakia Franklin-Jones (seconded)

Members Approving: All approved

Members Opposing: n/a

Members Abstaining: n/a

Motion Passes

Minutes Taken By: Juli Gilyard

Position: Secretary

Date Approved: